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Tutor Teaching Tips

What Animals Eat (C)

MATERIALS

Leveled reader

Graphic organizer

Game word cards; Game board

Leveled reader

Before Reading 3–5 minutes

BUILD BACKGROUND: Ask: *What animal(s) have you seen? Which ones have you seen eating? What kinds of food did the animals eat?*

PREVIEW THE BOOK: Show the child the pictures on the front and back covers of the book. Read the title together. Ask: *What do you think this book is about?* Without reading the book, show the child each picture in the book and ask what he/she sees. After looking at page 5, ask: *What other animals do you think might be in the book? What do you think the animals will eat?* Have the child look at the pictures on the remaining pages to see what animals are in the book.

During Reading 10–15 minutes

Sit next to the child and read the book to the child. Have the child follow each word with his/her finger. Next read the book aloud and have the child read along with you. Finally, ask the child to read the book aloud by himself/herself. Have the child try to sound out any words he/she doesn't know. Ask: *What sound does this word start with? What sound do you think might be in the middle of the word? What word makes sense here?* If the child still cannot work out the word, tell him/her the word. Ask the child to reread the sentence with the word and then continue reading the book. If the child reads a word that doesn't make sense, ask: *Did what you read make sense?*

After Reading 10–15 minutes

Ask the child to retell the story. Prompt with questions such as: *What was the book about? What food did the birds eat? The seal? The goat?* Allow time for the child to think about the question and respond. If the child cannot answer, help him/her find the answer in the book. Guide the child to complete the graphic organizer worksheet. Have the child check the book to find what the animals eat.

READER RESPONSE: *Which animal in the book is your favorite? Which foods do the animals eat that you can eat?*

Optional Activities

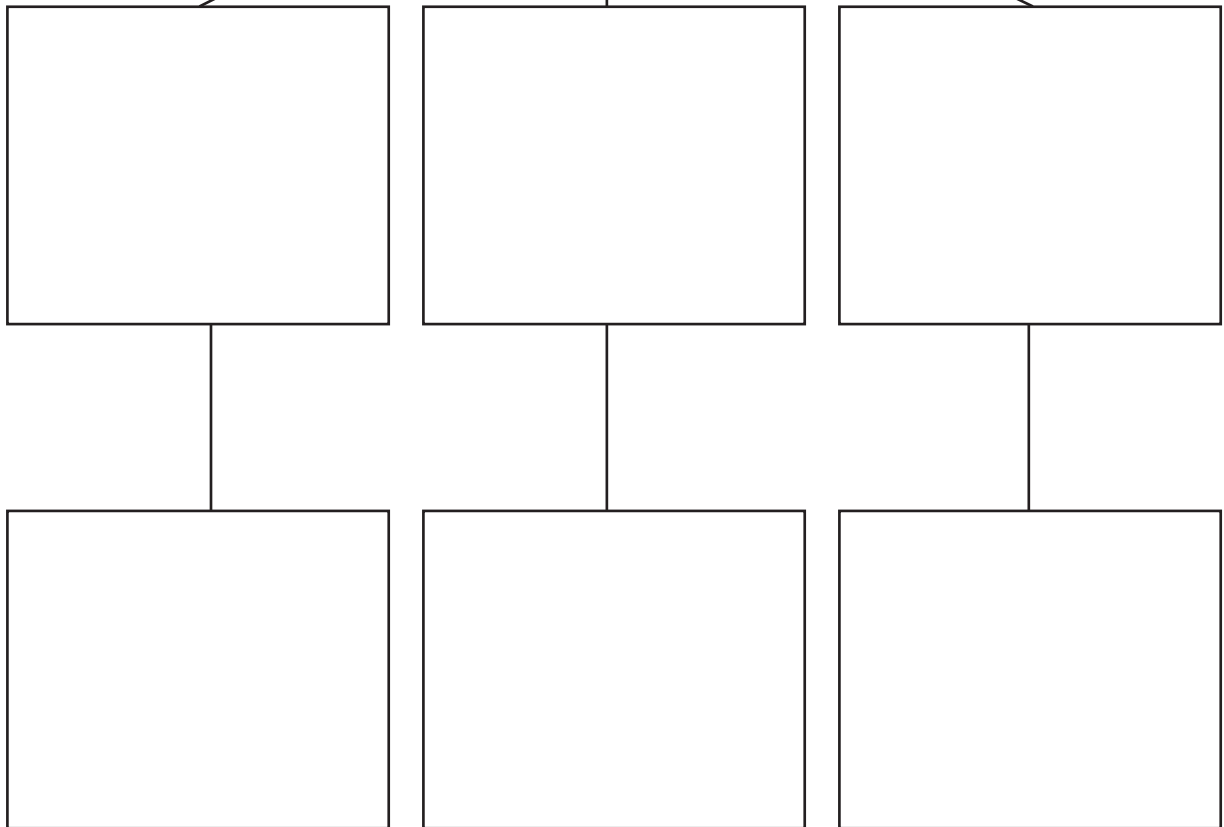
WRITING: Ask the child to draw a picture of his /her favorite animal eating its food on the inside back cover of the book. Ask the child to dictate a sentence about the picture.

VOCABULARY GAME: Place the cards on the table riddle side up. Read the riddle to the child. If the child answers correctly, he/she places the card at the bottom of the stack and moves a marker along the game board the number of spaces shown on the back of the card. Then you take a turn.

Home Connection

Encourage the child to take the book home for practice.

Animals



INSTRUCTIONS: Read the heading to the child as you point to the word. Tell the child to choose three animals from the book and write their names in the second row of boxes. Ask the child to draw or write the food each animal eats in the third row of boxes.

Directions: These game cards are two-sided. Print or copy back-to-back to make one set of cards.

Leveled Reader

 Game Cards (FRONT)

What Animals Eat (C)

Birds eat these.
Plants grow from these.
What are they?

I eat seeds.
I can fly.
What am I?

This is green.
Cows eat this.
What is it?

I eat grass.
I give milk.
What am I?

I am little.
Frogs like me.
What am I?

I eat bugs.
I have legs.
What am I?

These are on trees.
They can be green.
What are they?

I eat leaves.
I am a bear.
What am I?

I have fins.
I live in water.
What am I?

I eat fish.
I have flippers.
What am I?

Monkeys eat this.
You can eat this, too.
What is it?

I swing from trees.
I eat fruit.
What am I?

Goats like this.
You wear this
on your foot.
What is it?

I eat everything.
I live on a farm.
What am I?

Directions: These game cards are two-sided. Print or copy back-to-back to make one set of cards.

Leveled Reader

 Game Cards (BACK)

What Animals Eat (C)

cow
1

grass
4

bird
2

seeds
2

panda
2

leaves
4

frog
4

bug
1

monkey
4

fruit
3

seal
2

fish
2

goat
5

sock
5

Leveled Reader

Game Board

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